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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS**

Applicant acknowledges receipt of a Requirement for Election/Restriction dated 10/04/04.

Applicant responds to the Examiner's concerns as follows:

The Examiner has identified ten species: a - heparin or fragments thereof; b - dextran sulfate; c - pentosan polysulfate; d - heparan sulfate or fragments thereof; e - dermatan sulfate or fragments thereof; f - chondroitin sulfate or fragments thereof; g - keratan sulfate or fragments thereof; h - polyvinyl sulfate; i - perlecan (but excluding EHS perleccan heparan sulfate); and j - polyvinyl sulfonate. Applicant herewith elects species d - heparan sulfate (Claims 4-10, 14-15 and 18) for examination on the merits. Claims 4-6 are herewith amended to change their dependency from claim 1 to claim 10. Claims 1-3, 11-13 and 16-17 are cancelled without prejudice.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

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